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## **AMENDMENT**

Box RCE Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated May 7, 2002, the Advisory Action dated September 9, 2002, and the Advisory Action dated October 7, 2002 please amend the present application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please amend the last paragraph on page 2 to the last paragraph on page 3 to read as follows:

-- Example 1. Identification of a core GH regulated sequence.

The 52 bp SPI-GHRE;

(GATCTACGCTTCTACTAATCCATGTTCTGAGAAATCATCCAGTCTGCCCAT

G) was used to identify a core GH regulated sequence using gel electrophoresis mobility shift assay (GEMSA). Nuclear extracts were prepared and incubated with a 32P labeled 52 bp